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o youknow what HEALTH INSUR-ANCE is? It may be worth \$55 per week to you to call at this sgency and be informed.

LOCAL' BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS PITHILY PRINTED.

Tourists are arriving in numbers. County school board met Tuesday. Circuit court at Arcadia Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs Ed M. Earnest visited Arcadia last week.

High school re-opened Wednesday. on business Tuesday.

County commissioners met Tues-

Miss Sadie Kilgore, of Pebble, Fla., is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. Tucker, on Cross street, Cashler Williams of the Punta

Gorda bank is having a modern cement sidewalk laid in front of his residence on Cross street. Willis Dewey left Wednesday on

his return to school in Cleveland, O. Ye scribe was misinformed about his

D. Lamar are enjoying a week's visit of Lake Park, Ga. amongst friends in St. Petersburg.

by our people. low prices on paints, oils and var- pay up quick. nishes at Jas. A, Newsome's. 52tf There was a very enjoyable card

brother, Capt. Joe Lamar.

to his ministerial labors. Last Saturday was the regular pay

day of the Peace River Phosphate Jas. A. Newsome's. Mining Company. All the employees as usual were paid off, the amount ceived at the late State Fair the high-

DeSoto county people visiting Tampa will find the best of dinners and the politest attention at Hotel Arno, Conductor Joe Lamar dines there, is the best place to go to.

See the new advertisement of the new grocery, Wakefield & Nickerson

ered promptly to all parts of the city. death was caused by an entangleof Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ochiltree, was christened by Rev. T. J. Purdue in friends in their sad bereavement. the Episcopal church last Sunday

The famous Diamond Paints at

Jas. A. Newsome's. ter is one of the most imperative a long-standing engagement by needs of the town. If we cannot get preaching Sunday. The party took about 30 years old, and leaves a wife water distilled by Nature from the

Scandinavian mountains, let us get deer going and returning. the best that is accessible to provide against anything like a water famine. The council should give this subject earnest attention. The district trustees have decided

to extend the present term of the public high school to eight months town council will make an appropri- isfy execution for costs. ation to add another month, thus giving the school a full nine months term. Good. Nothing like schools at the home of Rev. J. E. McIntosh, and churches to build up a town.

ing as the wicked are said to do. expecting no party or celebration, Capt. Joe Lamar's lightning passen- the event proved a very agreeable ger express between here and Tampa surprise to him. It was devised and was observed to be doing a rushing carried out by the ladies of his conbusiness - making money for the gregation, and it was such a happy Plant System. Good train, fine con- occasion that he is not done talking ductor, brave engineer and blessed schedule. May they all run 3651/4

days in every year for many years. no better friend than Col. Jackson. | and the first of June, 1902. Big lot of seed Irish potatoes just

arrived at Jas. A. Newsome's. 52tf holders of the Punta Gorda Bank was merc andise for the merchants of held January 7. The business of this Punta Gorda and vicinity, commenceither platine or glace finish, as desired same officers were re-elected for the for Hotel Naples, situated at Naples. coming year, consisting of P. W. on the-Gulf. Merchants and individ- and where you can produce the lus-McAdow, president; Jno. H. Farring- uals located at coast points between clous fruit every month in the year? ton. vice-president; M. V. Williams, Punta Gorda and Key West show Further, if the business pays where cashier. The directors are P. W. Mc- their appreciation of the facilities artificial protection is necessary, why

Dr. Latham is back from his holiday visit to kindred and friends in Fernandina and Jacksonville.

Agent Tucker, of the express company, with his two lively and gentlemanly little boys, visited Lakeland last Sunday

of Charlotte Harbor, went out hunting last Saturday and brought in a

Mrs. S. J. Wells, Mrs. E. L. Webb and her granddaughter, Lucille Gra- Recitation Miss Lessie Johnson ham, of Louisville, Ky., have come to their winter home here and will emain until May

The union prayer meetings have een increasing in interest each night. The meeting tonight will be in the Methodist church, tomorrow night in the Presbyterian.

The barge "Yarkand," Carlson master, completed loading 1855 tons of Goulding Fertilizer Company, Pensacola, Florida, and was towed to tug "Echo," owned by E. E. Saunders of Pensacola.

C. L. Ruth and T. J. Reynolds, prominent citizens of Montgomery, Alabama, arrived Sunday and on Gen. Gilchrist visited Jacksonville Monday started out with Clay Porter on a fortnight's hunt in the Ever-

Marshal Bowman insists on prompt compliance with the santary ordinance requiring the cleaning of all Song, My home is on the sea..... Choir he will make an inspection and report to the mayor all parties neglecting to observe the ordinance.

Mr. R. Z. Jones, a l've young gentleman from Valdosta, Ga., is here prospecting for a location for a truck farm and orange grove. If he succeeds in his quest, he will settle here and will shortly be followed by his Mesdames J. A. Baldwin and T. J. father-in-law, Mr. D. C. Beville

Marshal Bowman is after the dogs. Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hewett have The license tax is now past due and moved from Englewood to Punta he says the ordinance requires him Gorda and are cordially welcomed to catch and impound or kill all dogs upon which the license has not been Contractors and all others can get paid. Owners had therefore better

Mr. Willie Lamar and his charm-ing sister, Miss Ella, of Arcadia, Ed M. Earnest on the evening of the spent Monday here visiting their 2d. The game played was whist. The ladles' first prize was won by Pastor Ferran, of the Presbyterian Miss Maddie Roe; gentleman's by C. church, after spending the holidays Rogers of New Haven, Conn. The very pleasantly amongst kindred booby prizes were awarded to and friends in Eustis, has returned Mr. E. Van Riper and Mrs. A. F. Dewey.

The very finest Florida syrup at

The Tampa Business College redistributed amongst them aggregatest awards for the best courses of ing \$5,000. Paints, oils and varnishes at Jas. tendance at the college this term is 52tf the largest since its establishment in begin a series of evangelistic meet-

which is near the Plant system depot. City, was an agreeable caller in this office Monday. The Tarpon bas been and conductors always know which put in first class order and is well prepared to take excellent care of a goodly number of guests.

proprietors. They carry also a big of Harvey Hill, who lives a mile east invited to assist in the musical part of stock of stove wood cut to any length of town, died last Saturday and was the services. desired. Groceries and wood deliv- buried the following day. The child's Sarah Elizabeth, infant daughter ment of the bowels. His parents have the sincers sympathy of their many

Rev. J. E. McIntosh, accompanied by Moses Howell, of Pine Level, and Bowman where he was boarding. He Ed M. Earnest of this city, left Mon-52tf day on an overland trip of ten days to Fort Denaud on the Caloosahat-A reliable supply of drinking wa- chee, where Mr. McIntosh will fulfill aid failed to remove. Deceased came water distilled by Nature from the dogs and guns along and will hunt to mourn his loss. He was a very

sold here under execution Monday the city cemetery Sunday morning. to Hon. G. W. McLane for \$47.50, which shows that Uncle Mack appreciates cows highly. The cattle belonged to a negro who is serving a term in the penitentiary for uttering and there seems no doubt that the a forged check, and were sold to sat-

A denation party New Year's eye tomatoes. pastor of the Baptist church, was a THE HERALD man went to Tampa delightful affair. The date was also Tuesday and found that city flourish- the pastor's birthday; and as he was about it and rejoicing over it.

na Pineries Company held on the 6th gin with. It is not necessary to un-Col. Wm. N. Jackson, Duke of Ox- inst., the old board of directors and dertake anything big; a thousand moor, Lane Park, Lake county, ar- officers were elected as follows: P. rived at Hotel Dade Tuesday night, W. McAdow, president; Chas G. Da- be sufficient for the present. He is one of those companionable, vis. general manager; Jno. H. Far-entertaining and optimistic gentle-rington, secretary and treasurer. The Gorda and vicinity are basking in entertaining and optimistic gentle- rington, secretary and treasurer. The men that it is a joy to meet, and he board of directors consists of P. W. the warm southern sunsidiae, count is a splendid business man withal. McAdow, Chas. G. Davis, F. W. ing their money received from ship-He represents the big fruit house of Howard, A. F. Dewey and W. G. ments of high priced, winter raised J. H. Seward & Co., Baltimore, and Welles. This company estimates pineapples, the pineapple growers at is down here to buy two or three doz- that it will have two thousand crates en car loads of tomatoes. Florida has of pineapples to ship between now sitting up nights burning their mon-

The schooner "Silver Spray" ar-The annual meeting of the stocksolders of the Punta Gorda Bank was giving this line.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

To be Held in Punta Gorda, January 17 and 18, 1902.

PRIDAY MORNING.

Uncle Sam Aughe and A.J. Pexa, Opened by devotional exercises by a pastor of one of the local churches. Address of welcome . . . Mayor Freeman Response .. President P W Corr, Arcadia Business Session

Compulsory Education J B Shockley What games can a teacher introduce at school to prevent rude conduct Miss Phenie Leitner

AFTERNOON SESSION Song..... Still for Thee I'm Sighing Recitation, Miss Mary Ratliff How to teach primary reading

...... Miss Alyce Heard phosphate rock January 5, for the Howcan the drawling tone in reading be destination by the mammoth steam Difficulties encountered in primary teach ing in rural school's. Miss Blanchard How shall grown-up bad boys be prevented from demoralizing the school

FRIDAY EVENING Song, The song of the Ducks Choir Recitation Miss Ella Beeson premises about town. In a few days Address, The teacher of the 20th century Dr J F Forbes, Pres. Stetson Uni'ty Song, Up and away Choir

SATURDAY MORNING

Devotional exercises Song, Welcome to morning..... Choir Music; in our public schools,

..... Miss Norma Pepper Recitation Miss Stella Best Methods of preventing communication between pupils during school hours

Consolidation of rural schools; general discussion led by E L Richardson. Recitation.......... Miss Willye Stetson T. B. HARTIG,

Chairman Executive Committee.

Epworth League.

The following are the newly elected officera of the Epworth League chosen to serve this year :

Geo. W. McLane, jr., president; A. J. Baughman, Miss Willie Stetson, Miss Stella Best vice-presidents Miss Annie Swift, secretary; Clarence Brown treasurer.

Good officers all and a live league

Dr. E. O. Guerrant, an able and noted divine from Wilmore, Ky., will logs in the Presbyterian church next | Go to Seward's for fresh, first-class groceries at the low-

tinued ten days. The co-operation of all Christians is cordially invited to the end that the entire community may reap a

a general spiritual benefit. The choirs of all the churches and Eddie, the bright two year old son all singers in general are respectfully

Died Saturday. Charley Davis, a young man who had been working for the Punta Gorda Fish Co., died at 3:3) last Saturday afternoon at the residence of Marshal had been sick about four weeks. The cause of his death was some internal obstruction which the best medical popular young man and his death is Two old cows and two yearlings him. His body was laid to rest in

> People are coming up from the islands down the bay looking like bloated bondholders with their pockets bulging from the financial returns for winter vegetables. One gentle-

Alocal building and loan association, properly managed, would accomplish a vast amount in the upbuilding of Punta Gorda. Several towns in this State have been won derfully benefitted by such institutions and we ought to have one here. If some progressive gentleman will take the metter in hand and go around with a subscription list, we think he would get an encouraging At the annual meeting of the Sola- number of shares subscribed to beshares at \$1.00 per month each would

> points further north in the State are ey, invested in wood, coke, stoves and labor in their canvas covered their pineapple plants from freezing. Query: If you are going to invest

in the pineapple business, why not make the investment in a locality where artificial heat and canvas cov-Adow, Jno. H. Farrington, Chas. G. offered by the schooner Silver Spray by the liberal patronage they are ta Gorda where canvas and artificial by the liberal patronage they are the convergence of the con Greatly Reduced Prices in

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plete in the United States, but when it comes to prices, he'll startle creation. Ship chandlery, building material, tools, implements, etc., at honest prices. Seward will positively save you 25 to 50 per cent on foot-

they speak the truth. Honest goods at live and let live prices is our motto. A new stock of good, durable shoes just opened.

wear. This is what scores of new customers tell us, and

Mr. Townsend Clark, of New York. Sunday. There will be two services est possible prices.

Remember, that R. K. Seward is agent for both Mapes'

and Wilson & Loomis's fertilizers-best manufactured. Seward's gents' furnishing department is recognized by all thinking people as a money-saving annex. Here you get regular 5 c-cent articles for a quarter.

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